

Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners Office of the Commission Auditor

Legislative Analysis

Infrastructure and Land Use Committee

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Item No.	Subject Matter	Background	Analysis / Comments / Questions	LA
2(A)	Resolution approving an Option to Purchase Property for Environmentally Endangered Lands Program	 Seller: Dolomite Co., Inc., a Colorado Corporation Acreage: 4.41 acres Zoning: Agriculture (Vacant Land) Proposed Purchase Price: \$37,500 (\$8,503.40 per/acre) Funding Source: GOB Project 2.4 Site #72290 		TDW
2(B)	Resolution approving an Option to Purchase Property for Environmentally Endangered Lands Program	 Seller: Stephan H. Tarr Acreage: 26.67 acres Zoning: UNZONED (Vacant Land) Proposed Purchase Price: \$213,400 (\$8,001.49 per/acre) Funding Source: GOB Project 2.4 Site #72294 		TDW
2(C)	Resolution approving an Option to Purchase Property for Environmentally Endangered Lands Program	 Seller: Corazon L. Hidalgo Acreage: 5 acres Zoning: UNZONED (Vacant Land) Proposed Purchase Price: \$40,000 (\$8,000 per/acre) Funding Source: GOB Project 2.4 Site #72292 		TDW
2(D)	Resolution approving an Option to Purchase Property for Environmentally Endangered Lands Program	 Seller: Orlando Way & Patricia Way Acreage: 5 acres Zoning: UNZONED (Vacant Land) Proposed Purchase Price: \$40,000 (\$8,000 per/acre) Funding Source: GOB Project 2.4 Site #72291 		TDW
2(E)	Resolution approving an Option to Purchase Property for Environmentally Endangered Lands Program	 Seller: Mr. Ed Properties, Inc., a Florida Corporation Acreage: 16.96 acres Zoning: UNZONED and Agricultural (Vacant Land) 		TDW

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		 Proposed Purchase Price: \$124,800 (\$6,252.50 per/acre) Funding Source: GOB Project 2.4 Site #72289 		
2(F)	Resolution approving an Option to Purchase Property for Environmentally Endangered Lands Program	 Seller: Instant Velour, Inc, a Florida Corporation Acreage: 5 acres Zoning: N/A Proposed Purchase Price: \$37,500 (\$7,500 per/acre) Funding Source: GOB Project 2.4 Site #72314 		TDW
2(G)	Resolution approving an Option to Purchase Property for Environmentally Endangered Lands Program	 Seller: Miami Rescue Mission, Inc. and The Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Inc. Acreage: 19.66 acres Zoning: UNZONED (Vacant Land) Proposed Purchase Price: \$196,600 (\$10,000 per/acre) Funding Source: GOB Project 2.4 Site #72315 		TDW
2(H)	Resolution approving an Option to Purchase Property for Environmentally Endangered Lands Program	 Seller: Eric L. and Janice E Albin Acreage: 10 acres Zoning: Agricultural (Vacant Land) Proposed Purchase Price: \$60,000 (\$6,000 per/acre) Funding Source: GOB Project 2.4 Site #72311 		TDW
2(I)	Resolution approving an Option to Purchase Property for Environmentally Endangered Lands Program	 Seller: Richard Curran and Kathleen Curran Acreage: 10 acres Zoning: UNZONED (Vacant Land) Proposed Purchase Price: \$70,000 (\$7,000 per/acre) Funding Source: GOB Project 2.4 Site #72318 		TDW



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2(J)	Resolution approving an Option to Purchase Property for Environmentally Endangered Lands Program	 Seller: Michael A. Carricarte, Trustee Acreage: 4.5 acres Zoning: Agricultural (Vacant Land) Proposed Purchase Price: \$675,000 (\$150,000 per/acre) Funding Source: GOB Project 2.4 Site #72344 		TDW
2(K)	Resolution approving an Option to Purchase Property for Environmentally Endangered Lands Program	 Seller: Robert Northrop and Celeste Northrop Acreage: 12.3 acres Zoning: Agricultural (Vacant Land) Proposed Purchase Price: \$1,100,000 (\$89,430.89 per/acre) Funding Source: GOB Project 2.4 Site #72345 		TDW
2(L)	Resolution authorizing execution of agreement # ML070553 with the South Florida Water Mgmt. Dist.	 This resolution authorizes the execution of an agreement between Miami-Dade County and the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) to continue surface water quality and biological monitoring in Biscayne Bay and its watershed tributaries. The Department of Environmental Resources Management (DERM) conducts pollution control studies, environmental monitoring, and restoration projects to carry out this venture with SFWMD. This agreement assists the SFWMD in monitoring and maintaining sufficient water quality across Miami-Dade County. This agreement renews the current agreement in place and provides a three (3) year extension until April 2009. 	 The current agreement ends September 30, 2006 and provides an annual funding average of \$200,000. The proposed agreement amount will pay Miami-Dade County \$640,000 over the next three (3) years. FY 2007: \$200,000 FY 2008: \$215,000 FY 2009: \$225,000 	TDW
2(M)	Acceptance of Leisure City /	In 2004 the OCED funded a Charrette for the Leisure City/ Naranja	Commission Districts 8 and 9	TG



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	Naranja Charrette Report	 Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) The Charrette was designed to bring people from the community together with representatives from the County's Planning and Zoning Department, in order to discuss and develop a plan for future growth, incorporation/annexation, development, zoning, and general economic development in the area. 	Implementation of these plans and recommendations would require changes to the current zoning provisions of the Code of Miami-Dade County. This resolution authorizes the preparation of the necessary amendments to the County Code in order to implement the recommendations developed by the Charrette.	
		Upon completion of the Charrette process in October 2004, the DPZ prepared a report on the issues discussed by the community and delivered that report to the BCC in May 2005.	There is no Direct fiscal impact associated with the acceptance of these recommendations.	
		 July 2005 – Steering Committee forwards prioritized recommendations to the BCC February 2006 – Planning Advisory Board recommends adoption of the recommendations and proposed Implementing Ordinance for the plan. 	If any funding is required for the future implementation of these recommendations, the Departments would need to provide for it through the Budget Process or separate legislation.	
2(N)	Acceptance of Country Club / Palm Springs North Charrette Report	 A Charrette was held for the County Club –Palm Springs North area from August 20 to September 15, 2005. The Charrette was designed to bring people from the community together with representatives from the County's Planning and Zoning Department, in order to discuss and develop a plan for future growth, incorporation/annexation, development, zoning, and general economic development in the area. DPZ issued the report from the Charrette in November 2005. February 2006 – Steering Committee prioritizes recommendations May 2006 – Community Council 5 recommends adoption and implementation of the Charrette report. 	Commission District 13 Implementation of these plans and recommendations may require changes to the current zoning provisions of the Code of Miami-Dade County. This resolution authorizes the preparation of the necessary amendments to the County Code in order to implement the recommendations developed by the Charrette. There is no Direct fiscal impact associated with the acceptance of these recommendations.	TG
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			recommendations, the Departments would need to provide for it through the Budget Process or separate legislation.	
2(O)	Authorizes an October 2006 Process for amendments to the Community Development Master Plan (CDMP)	 Sec. 2-116.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County states: During "Odd" numbered years, applications to amend the CDMP shall be filed during the months of April and October. During "Even" numbered years, applications for amendments to the CDMP are accepted in April with an option for an October filing period contingent upon an affirmative recommendation by the County Manager and approval by resolution of the BCC before the 16th day of September. The CDMP process for text amendments takes approximately one (1) year. 	 The Department of Planning & Zoning is requesting an October 2006 amendment processing period for: Additional Changes needed in order to comply with new state growth management regulations passed by Senate Bill 360 in 2005. Statutory deadlines for Educational and Capital Improvements Staff generated applications This period will not be open to the public for any private applications to amend the CDMP.	TG
2(P)	Interlocal Agreement between Miami-Dade County and the Town of Cutler Bay for the Transfer of Municipal Services	 This resolution authorizes the execution of the Master Interlocal Agreement for the transition of municipal services to the Town of Cutler Bay (Town). On November 8, 2005, residents approved the Charter establishing the Town of Cutler Bay. This agreement provides the framework for municipal services between November 9, 2005 (the effective date of the Town charter) and September 30, 2006. This agreement also provides: A transfer of 90 percent of the Town's projected surplus revenues (est. \$1,091,832) within 30 days of executing this agreement; An advance of up to 90 percent of the Town's ad valorem and other funds collected by the County on behalf of the 	 Miami-Dade County will continue to provide the Town of Cutler Bay services from the: Fire-Rescue Department; Library Department; Solid Waste Department (Solid Waste Collection); Police Department (Local Patrol & Specialized Services); Public Works; and DERM *further explanation on services provided to the Town of Cutler Bay is provided within the item on handwritten pages 36-37) This agreement also provides the County Manager the authority to approve two 6- month term extensions contingent upon timely written request from the Town. 	TDW



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		Town during 2006-2007 (to assist with any potential issues with cash flow); O An option for the Town to borrow up to \$2 million from the County during 2006 and 2007 in the event of a natural or man-made disaster; O A favored nations clause to address subsequent interlocal agreements between the County and other municipalities entitled to more favorable treatment.		
2(Q)	Road Closing – District 8	A petition was filed for the following closure(s): • SW 130 th Avenue from SW 221 st Street North 223 feet • SW 221 st Street from SW 130 th Avenue West 118 feet	The County has never maintained nor approved this right-of-way At the request of Commissioner Seijas there is a map of the proposed closures attached a supplemental item.	TG
2(R)	JPA with the City of Hialeah for construction of NW 97 th Avenue from NW 138 th Street	 Under the terms of this agreement, the County will reimburse the City of Hialeah "an estimated" \$3,300,000 for the construction of a four (4) lane road (97th avenue) This road is contained within an area annexed by the city of Hialeah in 2004. The City contends that construction of this road is vital to the development of the area. At the request of the City and the PWD, this project was expedited by the MPO in the 2030 Long Range Transportation plan, as well as, the 2006 Transport 	Commission District – 13 If the project costs stay within 10% of the cost estimate, the Manager may execute any amendments without prior BCC approval.	TG
2(S)	Construction of Roadway Improvements along Old Cutler Road	Section 9-2 of the Miami-Dade County Code prohibits the widening of Old Cutler Road, except for purposes of safety • Expansion of intersections is permissible if an advertised public hearing is conducted to present a finding of necessity prior to BCC approval of any changes.	Commission District 8 The study has been completed and, in light of recommendations made, the County Manager is requesting authorization to proceed with improvements between 87 th Avenue and SW 212 Street.	TG
		The BCC has previously approved the Old Cutler Road Charrette	The Manager's Memorandum contends that there is no	

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		Report. A traffic engineering study was done to focus on three (3) recommendations brought forward in the Charrette Report 1. Existing and projected Old Cutler Road Operations 2. Roundabouts at 87 th and 97 th Avenues 3. Bicycle/Pedestrian Path	Fiscal Impact associated with this authorization to proceed with the planned improvements. Estimated Fiscal Impact once design and construction begin for these projects: \$1,066,000 (PTP Surtax)	
2(T)	Change Order No.1 (Final) with F & L Construction, Inc.	This was an open \$1,000,000 contract for QNIP Sidewalk improvements.	The County requested additional work associated with additional sites and the construction of two (2) traffic circles. The Department is requesting utilization of the remaining Contingency Allowance, the Inspector General Allowance, and the Permits Allowance, be reallocated toward the additional work performed. This would bring the total project cost to \$1,011,598 The bids were opened for this contract in May 2002. This contract was completed on October 4, 2004. When was the original Scope of Work Completed? Why is the County addressing a change order for a project that was completed over 2 years ago?	TG
2(U)	Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Miami Lakes	The town of Miami Lakes currently has four (4) separate Special Taxing Districts for the purpose of providing Security Guard service to the residents of each area.	This agreement would allow the Town of Miami Lakes to assume responsibility for the maintenance of said facilities	TG



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		Currently, the County collects the assessments, contracts with the security providers, and oversees the maintenance required of the facilities associated with the security services.		
2(V)	Resolution authorizing the Negotiations and settle enforcement actions or notices of violations initiated by the State of Florida or the U.S. Gov't. against Miami-Dade County's operation of the water and sewer system	 The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) and other State and Federal regulatory agencies impose fines and corrective actions on the County for water and sewer violations pertaining to unauthorized operation, unauthorized discharges, and other incidents that may be deemed as being preventable. This resolution provides the County Manager the authority to negotiate and settle enforcement actions or notices of violations due to sanitation sewage overflows (SSO) not to exceed \$10,000. This resolution also provides the County Manager the authority to make improvements to Miami-Dade County water and sewer systems in the amount not to exceed \$100,000. 	 During the June 20th, 2006 BCC meeting the Board authorized the execution of a settlement between Miami-Dade County and FDEP. The settlement agreement addressed twenty-two (22) separate discharge events occurring between December 31, 2002 and January 19, 2006. The settlement agreement amount was \$165,303 (which includes administrative costs of \$15,030). 	TDW
2(W)	Resolution approving the Certifications of Financial Responsibility to Operate the Sewage Injection Wells in Miami-Dade County's South and North District Wastewater Treatment Plants	 This resolution approves the certification of financial responsibility pursuant to Rule 62-528.435(9) of the Florida Administration Code. Miami-Dade County is required by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) to comply with Rule 62-528.435(9) and provide certifications prior to approval to operate injection wells. 	The County Certification of Financial Responsibility provides cost estimates for injection and monitoring wells in addition to establishing the County has the financial resources necessary to close, plug, and/or abandon underground injection well(s) and monitoring well(s).	TDW
2(X)	Resolution Authorizing the Conveyance of a Portion of Land	This resolution authorizes the conveyance of property currently owned by the Miami-Dade County Water and Sewer Department	• In 2005, two tug boats hit the bridge causing a substantial amount of damage leaving it inoperable.	TDW



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		 (MDWASD) to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). The conveyance of land is necessary to provide FDOT the opportunity to perform construction and repairs to replace the 5 Street Bridge (over the Miami River) and widen NW 7th Avenue on the north side of the bridge. 	 Subsequent to the accidents, the bridge has been inoperable and locked in its up-right position. FDOT hopes to acquire the land as soon as possible to accelerate the procurement process and commence construction. 	
2(Y)	Amendment One to the Sewage Disposal Service Contract between Miami- Dade County and the City of North Miami	 Miami-Dade County currently provides sewage disposal to the City of North Miami (City) under the terms of 30-year contract effective until April 30, 2009. This amendment will allow for the three additional sewage disposal points within the City of North Miami. The City will be responsible for all expenses associated with establishing these new service points. In addition to the three new service points this amendment offers language to modify the contract and provide opportunity for future points of connection by mutual consent from the Director of Miami-Dade County Water and Sewer and the City. 	The three additional sewage disposal service points being requested will be located at: 1. 2500 N.E. 163 Street; 2. N.W. 135 Street and N.W. 12 Avenue; and 3. Biscayne Boulevard and N.E. 151 Street	TDW
2(Z)	Award recommended for Two-Year Countywide Contract for Cleaning and Televising of Large Diameter Sewers, Contract No. S-802)	 This resolution authorizes the execution of a Two-Year contract for the cleaning and televising of large diameter sewers. (The contract has an option to renew for an additional 2 years on an annual basis.) This contract is countywide contract that encompasses various County Districts. 	 Project work will be accessible and completed through manhole openings without disturbance to utilities, adjacent properties, or infrastructure. Cost Estimate: \$1,500,000 Contract Amount: \$1,500,000 Contingency Allowance for project: 5% 	



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		• The project includes all the labor, materials, and equipment necessary in cleaning and inspecting via closed circuit television (CCTV) large gravity sanitary sewer pipes (30 inches in diameter and greater).		
		The project also includes cleaning and video inspections, supplementary cleaning, pumping of sewage, and the removal and disposal of solids.		
2(AA)	Ordinance Creating Wellfield Protection Zones for the South Miami Heights Wellfield Complex; Amending Sections of the Miami-Dade County Code	 This ordinance amends sections of the Miami-Dade County Code pertaining to definitions, operating permits, public potable water supply wells, liquid waste disposal, and potable water supply systems. Adopting this ordinance allows changes to be made to the Code providing new wellfield protection zones while incorporating South Miami Heights Wellfield Complex into the County's wellfield protection program. 	 The South Miami Heights Wellfield Complex consist of wellfields that will be located at: 1. Roberta Hunter Park; 2. Caribbean Park; 3. Rockpit 77 Park 4. South Miami Heights Water Treatment Plant (11495 SW 190th Terrace Road) 	TDW
2(BB)	Ordinance relating to the Downtown Kendall Urban Center District Designated Open Space Plan	Section 33-284.60(3) of the Code of Miami-Dade County states that a map detailing all open spaces required in the Urban District shall be kept on File with DP&Z.	This Ordinance amends the Section by including a further detailed map with respect to the location of green spaces, colonnades, squares, and anchor point.	TG
2(CC)	Ordinance Amending Miami-Dade County Code 20-43 Community County	• During the BCC meeting on February 14, 2006, the BCC passed Resolution No. 289-06, establishing the remaining boundaries and sub-areas for the South Bay Community Council 15 (CC 15) due to the incorporation of Cutler Bay removing a portion of the area.	 Community Council 15 has 7 seats- 6 are elected (4-year terms) and 1 is appointed. Only two incumbent seats remain after incorporation of Cutler Bay and the boundary changes (1 of the Odd Sub- 	TDW



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2/DD)		 This ordinance provides an amendment modifying the first term of three of the incoming new members in order to allow for staggered terms. This amendment aligns the new council with the rest of the Community Council structure in the County with the staggered terms. 	 Area Seats and 1 of the Even Sub-Area Seats). This Modification establishes that the Odd Sub-Area Seats will have their election in 2006 as originally planned & the newly elected Even Sub-Area Seats be elected in 2006 but later create the staggered affect by going back up for election in 2008. After the initial 2- year staggered cycle for Even Sub-Area Seats the Community Council will continue their 4-year terms across the board. The beginning service date will take place "during the second Tuesday next succeeding the date provided for the State General Election" (in November). 	TG
2(DD)	2006-2007 Proposed Resource Allocation Plan for the Department of Solid Waste Management	SEPARATE ANALYSIS PROVIDED AS ATTACHMENT		TG
3(A)	Ordinance creating the Miami-Dade County Climate Change Advisory Task Force	 This ordinance would allow the County the opportunity to create a 25 person Climate Change Advisory Task Force (CCATF). The purpose of the CCATF will be assisting the BCC with insight pertaining to climate control due to global warming. The CCATF will also provide the BCC with recommendations addressing strategies and policies for climate control. 	The Department of Environmental Resources Management (DERM and the Office of Strategic Business and Management will assist the CCATF with it's initial set up, assuring adequate funding, and staffing.	TDW
3(C)	Resolution sponsored by	Commissioner Diaz is directing the County Manager to study the	For example: A road with a posted speed limit of 40 mph would	



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	commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz relating to School Speed Zones	possibility of creating a transitional speed zone on roads leading up to 15 mph School Speed Zones.	have an area of reduced speed limits of 25 mph for a certain distance just prior to becoming a School Speed Zone.	
			The manager will have to confer with FDOT and County engineers as it relates to how this "transitional speed zone" will affect traffic flow.	
			Statutory changes may be required as it relates to required minimum speeds on certain sized roadways.	
			The Manager is further directed to report back on this study within 45 days of final passage, or prior to the 2006-2007 School Year, whichever occurs first.	
3(D)	Resolution Amending restrictive covenants pertaining to Community Development Districts (CDDs)	This resolution would require that certain disclosures be made to prospective home buyers as it relates to any Capital Costs related to infrastructure created by the CDD.	Requires that the buyer be given the option of paying the Capital Costs for infrastructure at closing instead of only in annual assessments.	
3(E)	Resolution sponsored by Commissioner Rebeca Sosa relating to the administrative process for approval of hurricane shutters and generators	This resolution directs the County Manger to develop a plan to expedite the administrative process relating to the installation of hurricane shutters and generators.	The Manager is directed to report back on these measures within 30 days of passage of this resolution.	
3(F)	Resolution sponsored by Commissioner Javier D. Souto relating to traffic signals	This resolution directs the County Manager to develop a plan for placement of all traffic lights in Miami-Dade County of "Mast Arm Devices instead of tension wires and cords.	Some municipalities in Miami-Dade County (such as the City of Miami) and Broward County have begun to place their traffic signal devices on similar steel framed standards.	
3(G)	Resolution supporting U.S. E.P.A.'s WaterSense Program	The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A.) has established WaterSense, a water conservation program to educate	This program identifies water efficient products and services that are 20 percent more efficient than competing products	TDW

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		American consumers and encourage water use alternatives for water efficiency, saving money and maintaining high environmental standards.	and labels them as WaterSense products.	
4(A)	Ratification of the County Manager's Actions Authorizing Capital Improvement Contracts in	Section 2-8.2.7 of the Code of Miami-Dade County allows for the County Manager to Award and Adjust contracts for projects that are included in the Annual Capital Improvements Budget.	Contract Award # 1 accounts for an increase from \$1,401,844 in the original estimate to an award of \$2,102,883 (approx. 50% more than the original estimate)	TG
	Accordance with the	This item accounts for:	Change Order No. 1 – Approx. 35% increase	
	County's Expedite Ordinance for the months of April & May	 6 Contract Awards totaling \$24,008,883 2 Contract Amendments and/or Change Orders accounting for an additional \$1,304,863 	Change Order No. 2 – Approx. 85% increase	
4(B)	Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with City of Miami Gardens	This MOA is sought to expedite a landscape improvement project along NW 27 th Avenue leading up to Dolphin Stadium prior to the Super Bowl	The County will reimburse the Cities of Miami Gardens and Opa Locka up to \$700,000 from funding sources as follows: • \$300,000 from Florida Highway Beautification Council • \$150,000 from FDOT Landscape JPA (Opa Locka) • \$100,000 from FDOT Landscape JPA (Miami Gardens) • \$150,000 from Community Image Advisory Board The total project cost is estimated at \$1.2 million.	TG
			The remainder of funding will come from City sources.	
7(A)	Report from Property Appraiser's Office on Housing Assistance	Report outlining possible tax relief measures designed to encourage Affordable Housing		TG
		The report also addresses ways to increase receipts in the Documentary Surtax collections.		
7(B)	Sunset review of the Construction Trades Qualifying Board (CTQB)	The CTQB was established in 1957 to establish competency standards for the construction trades industry.	The recommendation is to continue the CTQB	TG
7(D)	Report on other Counties	The Miami-Dade County Public Works Department surveyed	Some State Funding is available to Counties, Cities, and Local	TG

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	with Illuminated Street Name Sign (ISNS) devices.	Broward, Orange, Leon, Hillsborough, and Pinellas Counties, as well as contacting FDOT and experts from communities outside the State of Florida.	FDOT Districts. Each community views the illuminated signs as an overall benefit. The Manager is proposing a 3 year implementation program to install Illuminated Street Signs at over 1800 intersections in Miami-Dade County. • Funding Sources would include the PTP Surtax, FDOT, and Municipal Sources. Although Street Signs were included in the PTP, this illumination project could be much more costly than the original street sign replacement project considered. The costs associated with this project could adversely affect other projects in the PTP.	
7(E)	Report on findings by the Planning & Zoning Department related to Class C signs (Billboards)	Per a citizen's presentation by Mr. Rex Hodges of Carter Outdoor Advertising, the INLUC committee requested the DP&Z to review interpretations of the Sign Code relating to the erection of Class C signs on certain properties zoned BU-3.	DP&Z is reviewing further evidence related to other signs that may have been allowed in similar instances. The Department will bring additional information to the Board as it continues to research this issue.	TG
7(F)	Report related to ongoing legal challenges related to the City of Doral CDMP	In January 2006, the BCC directed to County Attorney to intervene in an ongoing legal dispute regarding the City of Doral's implementation of residential housing in a designated area adjacent to a County Resource Recovery Facility.	After discussions between the City of Doral and the County Attorney's Office, the City of Doral has created what the County believes to be an adequate buffer zone between the facility and any proposed residential housing. When the City's CDMP becomes effective, the County will withdraw its challenge to the plan.	TG
7(J)	Report on Residential	The INLUC committee requested a comprehensive plan detailing	The Department contends that the development identified in this	TG



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	Permits issued outside the Urban Development Boundary (UDB)	 geographic information and trends related to housing permits issued for properties outside the UDB between 1994 and 2006. The initial report provided to the BCC identified 1,250 permits allowed. Further review identified 1,255 properties on 1,071 parcels. Some parcels contained less than the 5 gross acres generally required for land located outside the UDB. Some reasons for this include being grandfathered in, prior to Ordinance 74-16, or created by special zoning actions. 	report id consistent with the intent of existing zoning regulations.	



Solid Waste Department's Proposed Fee Increase

The Miami-Dade Solid Waste Management Department (SWM) is proposing an annual increase in fees charged to property owners of \$50.

- If approved by the Board, the current fee of \$399 per unit would be increased to \$449 per year. (This represents an increase of approximately 12.5 %)
- This fee increase would generate approximately \$15.5 million annually.
- This would increase the Department's revenues by approximately 3% from the projected 2005-2006 levels.

The current rate covers two (2) Household Trash pick-ups per week, one (1) recyclable container pick-up per week, and two (2) Bulky Waste pick-ups per year.

The department contends that it would need to raise the fee per household by \$35, to "at least" \$434 per year, to continue to provide the same level of service.

The additional \$15 would be utilized to promote additional services, such as: decreased time responding to calls for bulky waste pick-up.

The Department serves approximately 306,000 units in the Unincorporated Municipal Service Area (UMSA) of Miami-Dade County, as well as 9 municipalities.

Budgetary Highlights

For FY 2005-2006 the SWM Department is projecting total revenues of approximately \$403 million. This is an increase from \$ 339 million in revenues expected in the FY 2005-2006 proposed budget. (This represents an increase of \$64 million, or 18%, in revenues collected for the year)

• The majority of this increase in revenues was derived from additional Disposal Fees and Charges (\$39 million) and an increase in the amount carried over from FY 2004-2005 (\$13 million).

For FY 2006-2007 the Department is estimating \$377.5 million in revenues.

• This represents a decrease of \$25.5 million (or approx. 6%) in revenues from FY 2005-2006.

In FY 2005-2006 the Department was forced to utilize approximately \$51 million in reserves to offset increased Operating Costs. Much of this was due to increased activity necessitated by debris accumulation caused by storms during the fall of 2005.

SWM has increased their level of "Full-Time" employees from 1041 in FY 2004-2005 to 1069 projected and the end of FY 2005-2006. However, the Department anticipates reducing the number of "Full-Time" employees to 1029 for FY 2006-2007.

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Automated Curbside Trash Collection

The Department is in the process of transitioning to "Automated" curbside trash pick-up trucks. The Department estimates that approximately 174,000 households are now served by the automated trucks. This represents about 56% of the customers served by SWM.

The transition to automated trucks should allow the Department to reduce the number of positions need to perform the two (2) time per week service. The Department contends that these positions can be absorbed through attrition, departmental realignments, retraining personnel for other positions, and transfers to other County Departments.

The Office of the Commission Auditor (OCA) and the SWM Department are working together to provide more detail to the committee prior to your July 11, 2006 meeting.

<u>Attachment 1</u>: A Survey of other municipalities in Miami-Dade County and how they compare in relation to services provided from their current annual "Waste Disposal Fee".

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	Municipality	Services Provided	Annual Fee
1	Aventura*	Garbage 2 a week/Recycle 1 a week/ Bulky 2 a year	\$399
	Biscayne Park	Garbage 2 a week/Recycle 1 a week/ Bulky 1 a week	\$420/\$512 (1-2007)
	Coral Gables	Garbage 2 a week/Recycle 1 a week/ Bulky 1 a week	\$550
4	Hialeah	Garbage 2 a week/Recycle 1 a week/ Bulky 1 a month	\$324
5	Homestead	Garbage 2 a week/Recycle 1 a week/ Bulky 1 a week	\$414 (\$383.40 trash/\$31.56 recycle)
6	Miami	Garbage 2 a week/Recycle 1 a week/ Bulky 1 a week	\$325
7	Miami Beach	Garbage 2 a week/Recycle 1 a week/ Bulky 2 a week	\$455
8	Miami Dade County	Garbage 2 a week/Recycle 1 a week/ Bulky 2 a year	\$399
9	Miami Shores	Garbage 2 a week/Recycle 1 a week/ Bulky 1-2 a month	\$701
10	Miami Springs	Garbage 2 a week/Recycle 1 a week/ Bulky 1 a week	\$501
	North Miami	Garbage 2 a week/Recycle 1 a week/ Bulky 1 a week	\$483
	North Miami Beach	Garbage 2 a week/Recycle (drop-off locales only)/ Bulky 2 a month	\$474
	Pinecrest*	Garbage 2 a week/Recycle 1 a week/ Bulky 2 a year	\$399
	Sweetwater*	Garbage 2 a week/Recycle 1 a week/ Bulky 2 a year	\$399

^{*}Municipalities that contract solid waste service from Miami Dade County